

Application No.: 09/057,781

Docket No.: 65316-0002

REMARKS

No claims have been added and no claims have been canceled. Claims 22 and 24 have been amended. Accordingly, claims 1, 3-20, 22, 24 and 44 remain under prosecution in this application.

In the Drawings

The Examiner indicated in paper no. 18 that the "corrected or substitute drawings received on 10 July 2002 are objected to by the draftsman. A copy of the PTO form 948 is enclosed herewith." The undersigned believes that this objection is erroneous. The undersigned does not have any record of submitting substitute drawings in this application. Moreover, a copy of PTO form 948 was not enclosed with paper no. 18. If this objection is not erroneous, the undersigned respectfully requests a call from the Examiner so that this issue can be addressed as quickly as possible.

35 USC §103

Claims 22 and 24 are rejected under 35 USC §103 as being unpatentable over Biffar in view of Rosen. Submitted herewith are amendments to claims 22 and 24. None of the references of record teach or suggest the invention set forth in claim 22 especially in view of the newly added portions to claim 22.

Claim 24 has been amended to include three additional paragraphs. None of the references teach or suggest the invention set forth in newly amended claim 24 and accordingly the undersigned believes that this claim is now in condition for allowance.

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